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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7255**
Naoaki OGURE et al. : Docket No. 2001_0686A
Serial No. 09/866,843 : Group Art Unit 1763
Filed May 30, 2001 : Examiner G.A. GOUDREAU

COATING, MODIFICATION AND ETCHING
OF SUBSTRATE SURFACE WITH PARTICLE
BEAM IRRADIATION OF THE SAME

AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2003, the time for responding thereto being extended for one month in accordance with a Petition for Extension submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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